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SUBJECT: IMPORTANCE OF SWIFT IMPLEMENTATION OF UNSCR 1747
SANCTIONS ON BANK SEPAH

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[1](#)1. (C) FINATT met with Ministry of Finance, Legal Office, International Bureau official Hiroshi Yamashita on March 27 to discuss the details and importance of UNSCR 1747. Using Treasury Deputy Secretary Kimmitt's comments to underscore our commitment to implementing UNSCR 1747, FINATT and Yamashita discussed matters relating to Bank Sepah. Yamashita thanked us for the visit, and pledged to contact the Embassy should any questions regarding implementation arise.

[1](#)2. (C) Poloff delivered Deputy Secretary Kimmitt,s statement to MOFA UN Policy Division Director Shigeru Takizaki on the same day. Takizaki responded on March 28, thanking us for the statement and underscoring that Japan always abides by UNSC resolutions. The Government of Japan, i.e., MOFA, METI and MOF, was presently considering how to implement UNSCR 1747, including the sanctions on Bank Sepah. Takizaki assured that Japan would decide on concrete measures prior to the May 24 &deadline8 for its report to the Council as called for in the resolution. Separately, Political Officer conveyed the statement to Second Middle East Division Principal Deputy Director Motosada Matano on March 27. Matano was grateful to receive it and observed that it might take some time for inter-agency discussions to determine what course of action Japan will take.
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